Mount Rainier Recovery Initiative (Washington)

In November 2006, 18 inches of rain fell on Mount Rainier National Park in 36 hours, sweeping away roads, trails, utility lines, and whole campgrounds. Private, nonprofit, and Federal partners mustered a unified response to the disaster, recruiting volunteers, staff, and student interns. The partners raised public awareness and enlisted the help of the local business community. The partnerships that arose during the response continue to grow in ways beneficial to the Park and surrounding community.

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